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Abstract: Improvements in the availability and size of quantum information processing platforms motivates hybrid classicalquantum computing methods which rely onnoisy intermediate scale quantum (NISQ) devices. In contrast to fault tolerant computing, which abstracts awaymany implementation details, NISQ computing may benefit from a detailed understanding of analog dynamics. In this talk, I will present recent work detailing i) the characterization of Hamiltonian dynamics in open quantum systems and ii) the use of Hamiltonian controls to suppress noise sources. An analysis of the potential to improve hybrid algorithmic performance is made in both cases.